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FRAGMENTS THEREOF COMPRISING A HELICASE

BINDING POCKET

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#### RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This is in response to the final Office Action dated February 26, 2002, in the above-identified application. This response is timely because May 26 was a Sunday and May 27 was a Federal holiday (Memorial Day). 37 C.F.R. §1.7(a).

Please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 7 to 24 without prejudice.

#### REMARKS

The Examiner states that the application "contains claims 7-24 drawn to an invention nonelected with traverse" and that "[a] complete reply to the final rejection must include cancelation of non-elected claims...." Applicants have complied with this requirement by canceling claims 7-24 without prejudice.

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